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SUBJ: CIVAIR-OLYMPIC AIRWAYS STRIKE

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1. ALL OLYMPIC AIRWAYS PERSONNEL UNIONS ON STRIKE SINCE MIDNIGHT
DECEMBER 2. CAA ON CASE-BY-CASE BASIS WAIVING FOREIGN AIRLINES
LIMITATIONS ON FIFTH FREEDOM RIGHTS END PERMITTING THEM TO
CARRY MAIL TO END FROM GREECE.

2. STRIKE ALSO AFFECTS FOREIGN AIRLINES WHICH ARE DEPRIVED SERVICES
NORMALLY PROVIDED BY OLYMPIC. SMALL AIRLINES WITH NO GROUND SERVICE
PERSONNEL OF THEIR OWN HARDEST HIT. SO FAR ONE FLIGHT CANCELLATION
(BY MALEV) HAS BEEN REPORTED; FURTHER CANCELLATIONS BY SMALL CARRIERS

ARE POSSIBLE. LARGE AIRLINES (INCLUDING TWA) WITH OWN GROUND
SERVICE PERSONNEL, ARE NOT SERIOUSLY AFFECTED. SOME RAMP
BUS SERVICE, NORMALLY AN OLYMPIC MONOPOLY, BEING PROVIDED BY
OUTSIDE BUS FIRMS, BUT MOST PASSENGERS WALKING.
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